

MAY 2019

Spring Renewals

May 1 – June 30

Renewing your Girl Scout membership(s) early is important for many reasons.

- Registering early secures your spot, whether you are planning to participate in the same way as this year, or in a new troop/role.
- Early renewal allows your co-leaders and volunteers to make plans, knowing just how many girls they will have returning for the upcoming year.
- Renewing in the spring also helps your service unit and council staff make plans to be able to support all families that are interested in participating in Girl Scouts.

Whether you are renewing to your existing troop, taking on new pathways to participation, or seeking out new volunteer experiences, this can all be done in early renewal.

Virtual Cookie Card is available for a limited time this year for girls to renew their membership for the MY20.

- The use of Cookie Credit for membership renewal is ONLY AVAILABLE MAY 1 – JUNE 30 via the Cookie Credit Renewal link.
- Beginning May 1, you may use the Cookie Credit Renewal link to renew a GIRL membership with Cookie Credit.
- To renew your membership with a credit card, please use MYGS or contact customer care (customercare@gseok.org)

Spring renewal incentives include:

- Girl: Early Bird Patch and opportunity to use Cookie Credit beginning May 1*
- Troop Leader: With 75% or more of the troop and 2 adults renewing, leaders will receive a \$20 Gift Card to be used at the GSEOK Store to purchase items needed for the troop.
- Service Unit: When 75% of girls in the service unit register during Spring Renewal; the service unit will receive \$150.00 to be used for an Early Bird event in their service unit.

Extended Year Membership

GSUSA has a membership option for **NEW** girls and adults that allows them to register for an extended year for \$35.00. This price includes membership for the remainder of the current membership year as well as the entire next membership year. For example, extended year membership for 2019 would cover May 1 – September 30, 2019 **AND** October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2020. This registration option will be available only until July 31...and is only for **NEW** members who have never been registered Girl Scouts before.

Lifetime Membership for Graduating Girl Scouts

Do you have a Girl Scout graduating from high school this year? Why not surprise her with a gift that will last her a lifetime. Girl Scout Lifetime Memberships are offered to graduating Girl Scouts at a reduced rate of \$200.00. Contact customer care at 918-749-2551 or customercare@gseok.org for more information.



Administrative Volunteer Retreat!

Save the Date....The Administrative Volunteer Retreat will be **August 2-4, 2019** at Camps Tallchief and Swannie.

Who's Invited? Camping coordinators, consultants, council trainers, day camp business managers, day camp directors, delegates, event coordinators, girl and adult recruiters, girl program volunteers, individual member coordinators, mentors, organizers/placement coordinators, PR/communications coordinators, product sales coordinators (fall and cookie), recruitment coordinators, service unit finance coordinators, service unit managers, and service unit registrars.



Girl Scout Store

Don't forget to pick up **Bridging Kits** for your troop if you have girls who are bridging to the next Girl Scout level. Each kit includes the must have items, a specially designed bridging pencil and a coupon for each girl to use in the Tulsa Girl Scout Store during July 2019.

Summer hours for the Girl Scout Store:



Tuesday - Friday – 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 8 and Saturday, July 13 – 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Closed all other Saturdays in June and July

Sunday - Monday – Closed

CAMP Packs

Don't forget to order your daughter's Camp Pack when you register her for camp this summer.

- **Camp Starter Pack \$35-** A mess kit, dip bag, water bottle, whistle, bandana and drawstring bag.
- **Tallchief Care Pack \$45-** Tallchief merchandise for your camper to create lasting moments for a great summer.
- **Camp Activity Pack \$25-** A variety of fun games and craft activities to keep your favorite camper busy during her free time. She will receive this special delivery during camp.

Training Department

Check our online calendar for a list of all the upcoming volunteer trainings. You will find dates for Safety Basics, Beyond the Meeting Training, Canoe Aide Training, How to Start a Lego Robotics Team, and Archery Training.

Program Department



Troop Camping

June 1 is the next deadline to submit Form #576F "Request for Reservation of Council Campsite" for the months of August, September and October. Please note: Camps Tallchief and Swannie are closed from May 15 through August 5 for resident camp. For information or to submit requests, please contact us at camps@gseok.org

Every Girl in a Tent Challenge

We're celebrating Girl Scouts' 100-year-plus camping legacy and we want you to take part! So between **November 17, 2018 and October 31, 2019** girls can earn an exclusive glow-in-the-dark Every Girl in a Tent patch for any outdoor overnight stay in a non-permanent structure. Check online for more information.



And don't forget -  Girl Scouts Love State Parks!!  Visit your local state park the weekend of July 13-14. For information on all Oklahoma State Parks visit www.travelok.com.

Council Patch Program Highlights

Our Own Council's Badge for Brownies – Oklahoma! (#515T)

Oklahoma is a great state! But what makes Oklahoma so great? Find out by doing this badge with your Brownies.



Our Council's Indian Heritage Badge for Juniors (#525T)

Do this badge with your Juniors to increase understanding and awareness of Oklahoma's diverse Indian heritage.



Our Council's Discover Oklahoma! – CSA Badge (#530T)

This program expands the knowledge of the history, culture, and geography of our great state.



You can find these forms with all of the requirements on our website in the forms section.

Day Camp 2019



Get ready for a RAINFOREST ADVENTURE at Girl Scout Day Camp! Life can sometimes be a JUNGLE! Cool off under the SHADE of the RAINFOREST at Girl Scout Day Camp. There's no MONKEY BUSINESS here, just fun!! TOUCAN make your own rain jar, terrarium, or rain stick. Get philoSLOTHical learning about all the animals that live in the RAINFOREST. You'll find this summer quite RIBBITING!

Registration Deadline is May 3, 2019

Resident Camp 2019



Girls channel their inner outdoor explorer at Camp Tallchief. With over 50 specialty sessions throughout the summer, campers discover exciting activities that challenge their limits, build their confidence, and further their leadership skills. So no matter whether it's horseback riding, swimming, learning to paddle, crafting, or science; girls will find that their next adventure is just around the corner! Encourage all the girls in your troop to check out the session descriptions online. They are sure to find something that sparks their interest!!

KEY OUTCOMES FOR OUTDOOR EDUCATION



- Girls can gain independence and self-reliance. 71% of previous campers said that going to camp helped them recognize the things they can do well.

- Girls try new things and overcome fear. 61% of previous campers did something they were afraid to do at first, and 71% got better at an activity or skills while at camp.
- Girls learn teamwork and leadership skills. 72% of previous campers said that because of what they learned at camp, they are a better team player.

Resident Camp Physicals

Campers staying three or more nights must have a physical exam that has been administered within one year before starting date of activity.

Your daughter's completed physical exam form and immunization record must be brought to camp on check-in day. Girls without a physical exam form at check-in will not be allowed to stay at camp.

Sources for Camp Physicals

Many minor emergency centers/clinics offer physicals. *Girl Scouts of Eastern Oklahoma does not endorse any of these facilities. This is provided to you for informational use only and is currently correct - subject to change without notice.*

URGENT CARE OF GREEN COUNTRY and MEDCENTER – now a part of ACCESS MEDICAL FAMILY CENTERS (18 and under) \$25 per physical, (over 18) \$66 per physical, walk-in basis only.

Claremore

401 W. Blue Starr Dr.
(918) 343-6000
8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mon-Fri
9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sat-Sun

Stillwater

275 S. Perkins Rd.
(405) 334-5272
7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Mon-Fri
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sat-Sun

Tulsa

2929 S. Garnett
(918) 665-1520
8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mon-Fri
9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sat-Sun

Tulsa

1623 S. Utica Ave.
(918) 392-5100
8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mon-Fri
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sat-Sun

OR

10221 E. 81st St.
(918) 252-9300
8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mon-Fri
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sat-Sun

OR

1217 E. 48th St.
(918) 728-3333
8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mon-Fri
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sat-Sun

Skiatook

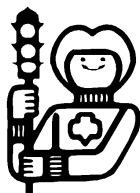
2254 W. Rogers Blvd.
(918) 895-9353
8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mon-Fri
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sat-Sun

Bartlesville

2334 SE Washington Blvd.
(918) 331-9184
8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mon-Fri
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sat-Sun

Suzy Safety

Theme Parks



Girls LOVE theme parks, and in their excitement, they sometimes don't pay attention to what is happening around them. Consequently, it is very easy for a girl to become separated from her group. If your troop is planning a trip that includes visiting a theme park be sure to consult *Safety Activity Checkpoints*, and consider these additional tips:

- ☺ Split the troop into groups of three or four girls and assign an adult (two adults for younger girls) to each group.
- ☺ Try to keep the “thrill seekers” and the “carousel and shopping onlys” in separate groups to minimize disagreements at the various rides.
- ☺ Stress to the adults and girls that **THERE ARE NO PARENTS** at this Girl Scout activity. Each adult must understand that they are responsible for **all** of the girls assigned to them and that

they are to be treated exactly the same. Place parents and daughters in separate groups if necessary.

- ☺ Everyone – girls and adults – should wear fanny packs. It allows your hands to be free while providing a secure place for things like sunglasses and money while on the rides. It's also a good place for everyone to carry identification showing their name, the name of the troop leader, the name and phone number for the at home contact and/or the leader's cell phone number.
- ☺ Designate a place and time for everyone to check in periodically (every two hours or so). This should also be the designated place to meet in case someone becomes separated from the group. Provide everyone with a copy of the park map with the designated meeting place clearly marked on it. They can keep it in their fanny pack!

As always, BE SAFE and HAVE FUN!

Important Dates and Deadlines

To register for programs and trainings go to: <http://www.gseok.org/en/programs/calendar.html>



- 1 Early Bird Registration Begins**
- 1 Beyond the Meeting – Tulsa (RDL April 25) **Adult**
- 3 Day Camp Registration Deadline **ALL**
- 3-4 Troop Camper Training 2 **Adult**
- 4 Training at Tallchief for Day Camp Volunteers **Adult**
- 4 Go Gold Workshop (RDL April 28) **SA**
- 7 New Leader Training – Tulsa (RDL May 3) **Adult**
- 11 Cardboard Regatta (RDL April 15) **CSA**
- 17 Drillers Overnight (RDL April 12) **ALL**
- 18 600 Club at the Tulsa Zoo
- 18 Painting for Brownies (RDL April 12) **B**
- 27 All GSEOK Facilities Closed**
- 30 Safety Basics – Tulsa (RDL May 20) **Adult**



Day Camps and Resident Camp are happening this month – Check online for details

- 1-2 Canoe Level 1 (RDL May 17) **CSA**
- 4 How to Start a Lego Robotics Team – Tulsa (RDL June 4) **Adult**
- 7-9 Core Camp (RDL May 9) **ALL**
- 8 Safety Basics Blended – Tulsa (RDL May 29) **Adult**
- 8 Archery Level 1 (RDL June 4) **Adult**
- 15 Southeastern Canoe Rendezvous (RDL May 31) **BJCSA**
- 30 Early Bird Registration Ends



Resident Camp is going on all month – Check online for details

- 4 All GSEOK Facilities Closed**
- 13-14 Canoe Level 2 (7th Grade +) (RDL June 28) **CSA**

- 13/14 Girl Scouts Love State Parks!!
- 20 Safety Basics Blended – Tulsa (RDL July 10) **Adult**
- 23 New Troop Leadership – Tulsa (RDL July 21) **Adult**
- 27 Tiny Creations (RDL July 12) **DBJ**



- 3-4 Canoe Level 1(RDL July 19) **CSA**
- 6 Night of Travel (RDL August 5) **JCSA**
- 6 New Troop Leadership – Tulsa (RDL August 4) **Adult**
- 9-11 Wild Caving at Alabaster Caverns (13+) (RDL July 19) **CSA**
- 9-12 Girl Scout Wizarding Weekend (RDL July 8) **CSA**
- 14 New Troop Leadership – Bartlesville (RDL August 12) **Adult**
- 17-18 Canoe Level 1 (RDL August 2) **CSA**
- 20 Beyond the Meeting – Tulsa (RDL August 18) **Adult**
- 22 Beyond the Meeting – Stillwater (RDL August 20) **Adult**
- 23 Outdoor Extravaganza (RDL July 26) **ALL**
- 24 NTL/BTM for Instructors – Tulsa (RDL August 22) **Adult**
- 24-25 Adult Canoe Aid Training 1 – Bartlesville **Adult**
- 27 Beyond the Meeting – Ada (RDL August 25) **Adult**
- 29 Beyond the Meeting – McAlester (RDL August 27) **Adult**
- 31 Skateland Party (RDL August 23) **DBJ**

September



- 2 **All GSEOK Council Facilities Closed**
- 7 Canoe Rendezvous (RDL August 10) **BJCSA**
- 21-22 Robbers Cave Weekend **CSA**

Council Contact Information

Girl Scouts of Eastern Oklahoma Hardesty Leadership Center
4810 South 129th East Avenue, Tulsa, OK 74134

Store Hours:

Tuesday – Friday 9:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday & Monday

Ada Office – 119 North Broadway, Suite 11, Ada, OK 74820
Bartlesville Service Center – 511 East 11th Street, Bartlesville, OK 74003
McAlester Service Center – 301 West Seneca Avenue, McAlester, OK 74501
Ponca City Program Center – 811 East Grand Avenue, Ponca City, OK 74601
Stillwater Lodge – 315 West 12th Avenue, Stillwater, OK 74074

Telephone for all locations – 918-749-2551 or 800-707-9914

If you need to see a staff person, please call customer care (or email at customer care@gseok.org) to make an appointment. Outlying service centers and offices are not always open due to staff out working in their communities.

*Leader News is a monthly publication of Girl Scouts of Eastern Oklahoma • www.gseok.org
Connect with us on [Facebook!](#)*